

July 23, 2023

# QUESTIONS WORTH ASKING

*What does the church believe about homosexuality?*



Our world is full of questions, and there are many competing answers. What does God's word say about things in our culture and our every day lives? This summer, we're giving insights rooted in scripture to the questions you've asked, as together we earnestly seek God.

## TODAY AT CP

CP littles ages 0-5  
*Nursery*

CP kids for grades K-6  
*Fellowship Hall*

Prayer Partners  
*Front of Worship Center*

Threads of Hope  
*Lobby Table*

## OUR MISSION AND VALUES

*Our mission is to equip and send passionate followers of Jesus to renew our community and world for Christ.*

*Renewed*

- R**ooted in Scripture
- E**arnestly Seeking God
- N**atural Outreach
- E**ngaging Relationships
- W**holehearted Generosity
- E**quipped for Ministry
- D**iverse Unity



# SOCCER CAMP THIS WEEK!

July 25-29



9 AM-12:30 PM • AGES 4-14



You can still sign up  
your kids today at  
[crosspointchino.org/soccer!](http://crosspointchino.org/soccer!)

\$150  
includes  
t-shirt and  
soccer ball

Young and energetic  
international coaches!

## CADET INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREE



Pray for the 15 young men and 8 counselors who are at the Cadet International Camporee in Ontario, Canada. They return home on July 26.

Pray for safety in travel and wilderness experiences, spiritual growth, and fellowship!

## SRI LANKA MISSION TEAM

God moved in many ways through our Korean congregation mission team to bless the people of Sri Lanka and bring the hope and joy of new life in Christ to this struggling country and people. Praise God for their safe travel back home and for all their hard work doing the mission God entrusted to them.



## IN THE LIBRARY

It's time for summer reading! Get your books for vacation this Sunday! Stop in or look for a book at [crosspointchino.org/library](http://crosspointchino.org/library)

- *Following Jesus in a Warming World: A Christian call to climate action* by Kyle Meyaard-Schaap
- *The Secret Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert: An English professor's journey into Christian faith* by Rosaria C. Butterfield
- *Double Indemnity: A novel* by Robert Whitlow
- *Under a Blackberry Moon: A novel* by Serena B. Miller
- *Oceans Apart: A novel* by Karen Kingsbury
- *The Sword of Truth / The Winds of God – Two Wakefield Dynasty novels* by Gilbert Morris

## GET IN SHAPE THIS SUMMER

One of our core values at CrossPoint is "Equipped for Ministry" because we believe in engaging and training in ministry by using our spiritual gifts. We believe God has uniquely made you and has a great purpose for your life. Understanding your gift mix will allow you to live more deeply into God's call on your life. Learn more about your unique SHAPE (Spiritual gifts • Heart • Abilities • Passions • Experiences) for ministry by taking the SHAPE Test at [crosspointchino.org/growth](http://crosspointchino.org/growth)

# CP MISSIONS



On Thursday morning, we sent off a group of 14 people to Beautiful Gate in Maseru, Lesotho. They will assist the house mothers with daily chores, child care, and service projects on the property like building, painting and gardening. You have supported this trip by donating new children's clothing, giving at the Lunch on the Lawn in April, and praying for team members. There may be 14 people flying to Lesotho, but we share in renewing the world for Christ together because of your support. They will return home August 2.



## REGISTRATION FOR GEMS AND CADETS OPENS JULY 26

Our Cadets Boys' Club and GEMS Girls' Club kick off on August 23! Registration for these Wednesday night programs opens on July 26. Don't delay, register that day at [crosspointchino.org/cadets](http://crosspointchino.org/cadets) [crosspointchino.org/gems](http://crosspointchino.org/gems)

*welcome! we're so glad you are here*

Welcome to those visiting CrossPoint today! We're here to walk beside you and help you find your place no matter where you are on your faith journey. We would love to meet you, so please stop by Connection Point in the lobby after the service. You can also let us know you visited by completing the Connection Card found in the seat back or online at the QR code below. Thank you for joining us for worship!



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## Questions Worth Asking | Don Porter, Lead Pastor

What does the church believe about homosexuality?

The Teaching of Romans 1:18-32

For Those Struggling with Same Sex Attraction:

1. God does not \_\_\_\_\_ you for same sex attraction. James 1:13-15
2. Do not \_\_\_\_\_ same sex attraction. 1 Thessalonians 4:3
3. \_\_\_\_\_ if you have \_\_\_\_\_ because of same sex attraction. Romans 2:4
4. Find the \_\_\_\_\_ you long for in Christian community. John 13:34-35

For the Church:

1. We must \_\_\_\_\_ of our \_\_\_\_\_ towards those who struggle with same sex attraction.  
Matthew 7:1-3
2. We must seek \_\_\_\_\_ for ourselves and walk with those who are struggling.  
1 Corinthians 6:18
3. We must provide Christian \_\_\_\_\_ to all whom God brings to our church. Romans 12:12-1

M Psalm 39  
T Genesis 1  
W Exodus 21:12-25  
Th Jeremiah 1  
F 1 Corinthians 6:12-20  
Sa Proverbs 6  
Su 1 John 1

### For Further Study on Today's Sermon Question:

The sermon this morning draws heavily upon the *Human Sexuality Report* which was drafted by members of our denomination and affirmed by the Synod in 2022 and 2023. This is a long document which looks at biblical teaching on a number of sexual-related issues confronting the church and the culture. This report speaks both to these issues and to how the church can more effectively live out the gospel in our culture and minister to our members in the church. We encourage you to read and study this document which can be found at [crcna.org](http://crcna.org).

- What was something you read in the weekly Scripture passages, or heard in the sermon that made an impact on you? Explain.
- What is the current cultural position regarding homosexuality? What do you think Jesus would say about our cultural position?
- Read Romans 1:18-32. Considering the entire passage, what is Paul teaching about homosexuality?
- In the sermon we considered four points regarding those who deal with same sex attraction. What are those points? As you consider these points, what is the challenge for you, either as someone who deals with this or as someone who knows people in this situation?
- In the sermon we considered three challenges for the church. What are those points? Where are you challenged?
- How can CrossPoint be more effective in providing sincere hospitality to the LGBTQ+ community while still holding to biblical truth?
- What will you do about this sermon and last week's readings?